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Recognition of Excellence



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- Alli's project "Safe Haven" created a relaxing area for those brought to the Children's Justice Center to read, draw, or sit before interviews.
- Eliza's started "Together We Grow" after learning about Live Empowered, an organization that supports disabled adults with work and social experiences suited to their abilities.
- Lacey founded EntreprenHER, a club centered around young women wanting to get into entrepreneurship.
- Lanie got the idea for her project "Wildlife Water Reservoir" after noticing erosion and lack of water creating problems for wildlife in her community.
- **Relena** started her project "Concussions in Color Guard" to educate others about concussions and their symptoms.
- Savannah sewed and donated 500 medical play dolls to Primary Children's hospital as part of her project "Surgery Sammys."
- When Tanya's family moved into their new home, they discovered elevated radon levels, sparking her work on "Project Radon."
- Action needed: Meet all our 2022 Gold Award Girl Scouts.

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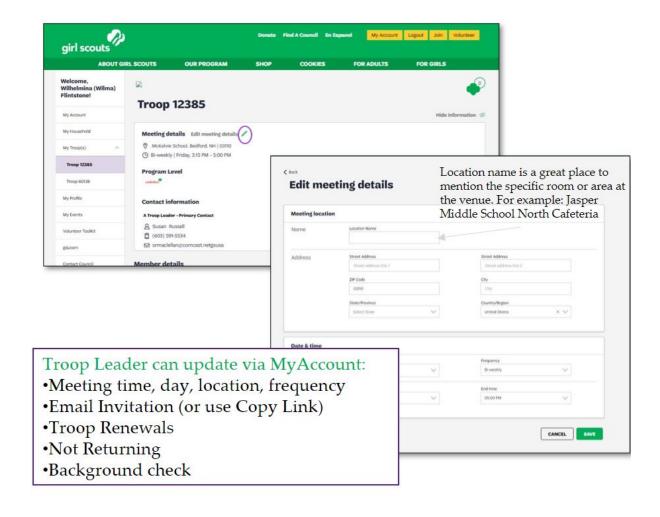
Volunteer Support

Fall activities for you and your troop

It's almost the start of the holiday season AND cookie season! This is a season full of gratitude, family, and friends, so we've rounded up some <u>fun fall activities</u> for November to get you in the spirit!

How to update troop information

Did you know you can update your troop meeting information on myGS? Keeping your troop information up to date is an important step toward preparing for the Cookie Program. This infographic shows you where to click and how to edit the information. You can also mark troop members as not returning and take care of troop renewals. If you have questions, reach out to your Membership Support Specialist.



Girl Scouting on a Budget: Troop Volunteers Share Their Two Cents

Okay, Girl Scout volunteers, it's time to talk money—specifically, how to keep your troop's money in check. (Get it? Check... I hear you groaning over there, but <u>let's get started</u>.)

Volunteer Training Opportunities

Youth Protection Training – Mandatory for ALL volunteers

- Volunteers MUST complete before your next meeting or interaction with Girl Scouts.
- Available through gsLearn ONLY
- Log into your myGS account, click on gsLearn, and look for 674-Youth Protection Training.

• Planning Trips with Girl Scouts on Zoom

• Thursday, November 10, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

CPR/First Aid (in-person)

- o Ogden, Thursday, November 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- o Salt Lake City, Saturday, November 19, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Volunteer Toolkit Basics on Zoom

o Tuesday, November 29, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Register for training on the GSU Activities Calendar.

Join USA Girl Scouts Overseas for Taste the World: Cinnamon Biscuits with Carrie Morey

Join USA Girl Scouts Overseas in the kitchen on November 6 for a very special program with Carrie Morey, two-time cookbook author, founder of Callie's Hot Little Biscuits, and Girl Scout alum.

Carrie will be teaching Girl Scouts how to make cinnamon biscuits, an iconic Southern staple in the United States. The event is open to Girl Scouts from all councils.

Action needed: Learn more and register for the event.

Celebrate Native American
Heritage Month by having fun
learning about all the
communities it represents
while earning a new patch!

Native American Heritage Month

The United States has 574 federally recognized Indian Nations (variously called tribes, nations, bands, pueblos, communities, and native villages). You can celebrate Native American Heritage Month by recognizing with your family and friends the histories, cultures, and contributions of the Native American communities that were the first inhabitants in the United States. Take this opportunity to learn more about the cultures of the Indian Nations in your state and across the country. We've got plenty of activities to choose from, so you can make new discoveries and have tons of fun while earning your patch!

- <u>Fun Patch Activities (PDF)</u>
- Actividades en Español (PDF)

Virtual Investiture and Rededication Ceremony

Girl Scouts of Utah is holding a FREE virtual Investiture and Rededication Ceremony on November 9 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. for Girl Scouts of all ages. We will take part in a traditional Investiture ceremony as we celebrate the new Girl Scout year and our love for the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

This is a great opportunity to meet Girl Scouts from around the council and around the country. Attend individually, as a family, or as a troop – all are welcome.

Action needed: Register for <u>Virtual Investiture</u> by November 6.

Quick Links

- Volunteer trainings and girl programs GSU Event Calendar
- Reserve meeting rooms at the NUSC, CRC, and CUSC <u>Meetings on Council Premises</u>
- Customizable flyers for troops, social media toolkit for volunteers, VTK, and troop leader blueprint - <u>Online Support for Volunteers</u>
- Guidelines for in-person activities and troop meeting space at council service centers - <u>GSU's COVID-19 guidelines</u>
- Schedule programming for your troop with local organizations <u>Program</u> Partners

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Service Unit Updates

Service Unit Delegates

It is time for all service units to make sure their Delegates* and Alternate Delegates are in place. Service Unit Delegates are the "Voice of the Members," bringing the concerns of the membership to the attention of the GSU Board of Directors and leadership staff. Delegates provide guidance and input to the board of directors on governance issues and policies affecting the future of the council and communicate this information to service unit members.

Action needed: SU Delegates and Alternates should have been appointed by October 31. Please return the <u>SU Delegate Position Agreement</u> to council by November 5. Delegate training will be coming mid-November – early December, so be sure to read the weekly volunteer newsletter for more information.

*Members, 14 years of age and older, may serve as Service Unit Delegates and participate in the democratic process.

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Council News & Updates

Jenny Edwards-Halverson will be supporting Desert Sky, Fish Lake, Navajo Lakes, and Red Rocks Service Units.

As a Membership Support Specialist for southern Utah, Jenny will be helping to achieve service unit membership goals by coordinating recruitment opportunities, promoting public awareness of Girl Scouts, as well as connecting with and supporting volunteers.

Jenny will be based out of Salt Lake City and will be reaching out to service unit volunteers in the near future. Please make time to <u>connect with her</u> to discuss how we all can collaborate to build and strengthen Girl Scouts in your service unit.

Quick Links

- Join the GSU team <u>View job openings and apply</u>
- Support GSU Camps <u>Amazon Wish Lists</u>
- Salt Lake City and American Fork shop info Retail
- Receive ongoing communications from GSU <u>COVID-19 Updates</u> & <u>GSU's</u>
 <u>Facebook page</u>
- GSU Health & Safety Guidelines

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